

**JUNE 18, 2023 — 11<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME**

## *St. Mary of the Angels*



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### MISSION STATEMENT

**“We are a welcoming community of believers who worship God and serve others.”**

#### OUR CORE VALUES

- We are Catholic.   ■ We are caring Christians.   ■ We give time, talent, treasure and witness.
- We share good news in word and deed.   ■ We reach out to the local community.
- We serve through social ministry by works of charity and justice.

### SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

**BAPTISMS:** Baptisms are celebrated on the 3rd Sunday of the month. Parents are expected to call the parish office three months prior to the anticipated Baptism of the child. Baptisms are not celebrated during the Season of Lent.

**CONFIRMATION:** Classes are held for High School students grades 9th–11th following the guidelines of the Archdiocese of New Orleans. These classes are usually held on Wednesday nights.

**VISITATION OF THE SICK:** Please inform the parish office when someone is sick, shut-in, or in the hospital, and are unable to attend mass.

**RECONCILIATION:** Offered Saturday at 3:15 p.m. & Sunday at 9:15 a.m.

**FUNERALS:** Please inform the parish office as soon as possible when someone in the family dies, preferably before contacting the funeral home.

**MARRIAGE:** Engaged couples must call the parish office at least six months prior to the planned date of the wedding.

**RCIA:** Interested in knowing more about the Catholic Church, with or without the intention of becoming a member, please call the parish office.

### PARISH STAFF

Fr. Joseph Hund, OFM.....Pastor  
Fr. Michael Haney, OFM.....Parochial Vicar  
Br. Daniel Barrett, OFM.....Pastoral Associate  
Br. Juniper Crouch, OFM.....in Residence  
Vanessa Matthews.....Director of Religious Ed  
Jeoffre Duplessis.....Director of Music Ministry  
Paulette Duplessis.....Secretary  
Lisa Alexander.....Financial Manager  
Saundria Washington.....Housekeeper

### PARISH COUNCIL

Peggy Williams.....Chairperson  
Edwin Shorty.....Vice Chairperson  
Gail Winsey.....Secretary  
Gale Armant.....Finance  
Eric Bennett.....Administration & Leadership  
Darrin Duroncellet.....Community Life  
Vaughn Valeary.....Evangelization  
Marlene Robinson.....Justice & Charity  
Embra Bridges.....Respect Life  
Lynn Duroncellet.....Religious Education  
Debra Theard.....Worship  
Paula Arceneaux.....Stewardship  
Lynn Evans.....Pastoral Care

### WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil Mass.....4:00 p.m.  
Sunday Gospel Mass.....10:00 a.m.

### Community Center Rental

504.945.3186

### WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

(Enter church through side entrance of Friars parking area)

Mon., Wed., Thur., Fri.....8:00 a.m.

Tues.....8:00 a.m.

St. Anthony Devotion...Follows Tuesday Morning Mass

SMA WEBSITE: [smaneworleans.org](http://smaneworleans.org)



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*At the sight of the crowds, his heart was moved with pity for them because they were troubled and abandoned, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest." Matthew 9:36-38*

This passage from today's Gospel begins by revealing to us the Heart of Jesus. His Heart is one that is "moved with pity." As Jesus looked at the crowds before Him, He could see that they were "troubled and abandoned, like sheep without a shepherd." The sight of them evoked compassion, concern and mercy from within Him. This is a beautiful image to prayerfully ponder.

As Jesus looks at you, He gazes at you as He gazed at the crowds long ago. As He does, the same depths of mercy and compassion are evoked within His Sacred Heart. Sometimes, when we think of God, we allow ourselves to have inaccurate perceptions of Who He is and how He sees us. If you do not regularly see the compassionate Heart of Jesus, then ponder this passage and know that His Heart of love for you is the same as it was for the crowds.

The second part of the passage above reveals to us one of the ways that Jesus reaches out to us. He is the "master of the

harvest" Who has called others to Himself and then sent them forth to minister in His name and with His authority. The lines that follow the Gospel quoted above tell us that Jesus immediately "summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits to drive them out and to cure every disease and every illness."

As you look at your own life, your struggles, your spiritual needs and your desire to grow in faith, how has God fed you? Through whom has He spoken to you? This shepherding will take place by your participation in the Mass, through the Sacrament of Confession, through holy preaching, through the written word, through the inspired witness of another, and in many other ways. What's helpful to ponder is that any time you have encountered the grace of God through another, it happened because the Master of the Harvest chose to send a laborer to you. When good fruit is borne in your life, it was God Who initiated that good work through another, out of the mercy and compassion of His Sacred Heart.

Reflect, today, upon the image of Jesus gazing at you with love and choosing to send His ministers to you in His name and with His authority. Pay special attention to how God has been speaking to you recently. If it is through a particular book, keep reading it. If it is through a certain preacher of the Gospel, keep listening. If it is through a certain conversation with a friend, spouse or loved one, keep talking. God loves you, has a Heart full of compassion for you, and will continue to reach out to you in many different ways, especially by sending others to you in His name.

[mycatholiclife.com](http://mycatholiclife.com)

Stewardship  
June 11, 2023

What we need each week.....	\$3,600.00
Envelopes & loose received.....	\$1,781.00
<b>Online Giving.....</b>	<b>\$150.00</b>
What we are <b>under</b> this week.....	<b>\$1,819.00</b>
Envelopes used.....	68
Weekend Mass attendance.....	110

Our Family Prayer

Loving and faithful God, through the years the people of our archdiocese have appreciated the prayers and love of Our Lady of Prompt Succor in times of war, disaster, epidemic and illness. We come to you, Father, with Mary our Mother, and ask you to help us in the battle of today against violence, murder and racism.

We implore you to give us your wisdom that we may build a community founded on the values of Jesus, which gives respect to the life and dignity of all people.

Bless parents that they may form their children in faith. Bless and protect our youth that they may be peacemakers of our time. Give consolation to those who have lost loved ones through violence.

Hear our prayer and give us the perseverance to be a voice for life and human dignity in our community.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Our Lady of Prompt Succor, hasten to help us.

Mother Henriette Delille, pray for us that we may be a holy family.



June 18, 2023 – June 24, 2023

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Each Mass is offered for the intentions of all present and for the following:

Sunday.....	<b>Bobby Ellsworth †</b> <b>Calvin Anthony Aguiard†</b>
Monday.....	<b>Alvin &amp; Toni Saverese</b>
Tuesday.....	<b>Georgia Thomas †</b> <b>Elaine Gundy</b>
Wednesday.....	Special Intentions †
Thursday.....	<b>Rosie Pietz †</b>
Friday.....	<b>Elaine Gundy</b>
Saturday .....	<b>Jules Joseph Lewis †</b>



PRAYER LINE

If you know any parishioners who may be sick or in the hospital, please notify the Church office at 945-3186. The name (s) will be published in the bulletin and at the Masses so that the congregation can pray for them.

Danielle Davis	Bonito J. Manego	Kay Vincent
Taylor Brown	Shirley Hawkins	Henry Butler
Beverly Bierra	Vertner Woods	Aline Robinson
Althea Augustine	Patricia Eugene	Dorothy Grant
Darril Frick	Geraldine Aguiard	Victor Jackson
Gary Medley	Ronald Cavalier	Gerald Cavalier
Patrick Maheia	Janice Nadler	Lorraine Jackson
Dana Roy	Mary Nadler	Kent Landry
Shirley Ellsworth	Helen Legier	Robin Jackson
Corey Lee	Lynn Evans	Willie Caliste
Leslie Duplessis	Jacquelyn Buggage	Thelma Hall
Deneen Schexneider	Audrey County	Albert Evans, Jr.
Claude Wiltz	Henry Butler	Patricia Parker
Jaden Coleman	Roxanne L'Herrise	Jay Orman
Very Rev. Henry Davis, S.S.J., V.F.		Raymond Dumas, Jr.



### Interested in Joining A Ministry?

#### Altar Servers

Altar servers are students from grades 3rd to 12th and have made their First Holy Communion. For more information on the Altar Servers, please call the church office: 504.945.3186.

#### Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

The Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion help distribute the Sacred Body and Blood during the masses celebrated in the church and also take communion to persons who are either hospitalized or homebound. The ministers must attend a workshop provided by the Archdioceses of New Orleans in order to be certified as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. For more information, please call the church office: 504.945.3186.

#### Ministers of Hospitality (Ushers)

There are ministers who help welcome and assist those attending all liturgical function of the parish, especially during the different masses celebrated. The ministers of hospitality are directed by Mr. Gale Armant, for more information, please contact him at the church office: 504.945.3186.

#### Ministers of the Word (Lectors)

The Ministers of the Word proclaim the Holy Scripture readings during the different liturgical celebrations of the church. The ministers must attend a workshop provided by the Archdioceses of New Orleans in order to be certified as Ministers of the Word (Lectors). For more information, please call the church office: 504.945.3186.

#### Ministers of Music and Worship (Choir)

The Ministers of Music and Worship help lead the congregation in song for the liturgy. They are committed to the values of spirituality, evangelistic leadership, fellowship and liturgical awareness for the SMA community.

#### Catechesis and Religious Education for Children (CCD)

Catechesis and Religious education: 504.945.3186.

#### Altar Society

works for the benefit of the church such as: maintain the priest vestments, upkeep of altar vessels and altar linens in preparing for Mass. Mrs. Debra Theard - contact the parish 504.945.3186

#### Bereavement

provides care for individuals and families especially when losing a loved one. Ms. Deirdre Landry, Chairperson - contact the parish 504.945.3186

#### Mighty Men's Ministry

faithful leaders working together to fill the gap where things are needed in the church: role models for the youth and support other ministries when needed. Mr. Vaughn Valeary, President - contact the parish 504.945.3186

#### Advocate for Persons with Disabilities

welcomes persons with disabilities into full participation in the life of the parish and offer them practical assistance, promotes awareness of the existence, concerns and gifts of parishioners and potential parishioners with disabilities. Contact Linda Minor and Vera Landry 504.945.3186

#### Emmaus Ministry Support Group

Grief comes in all forms and everyone of us handle it differently. If you have lost a loved one, a child, a spouse, a parent, a sibling or a friend, please join us. Contact Embra Bridges or Beverly Bierria. 504.945.3186

#### Catholic Charities

St. Mary of the Angels Head Start Program.....504.227.3470  
Catholic Charities Care Line.....866.891.2210

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

"Pray for Vocations" to Religious Life and the Priesthood and encourage our youth to think and pray about such a "vocation of life."

Franciscan Friars: [sibvocations@franciscan.org](mailto:sibvocations@franciscan.org);  
website: [www.franciscan.org](http://www.franciscan.org)

Archdiocese of New Orleans: [vocations@archdiocese-no.org](mailto:vocations@archdiocese-no.org);  
[nolapriest.com](http://nolapriest.com)

Adrian Dominican: [vocations@adriandominicans.org](mailto:vocations@adriandominicans.org)

**Parish Office** will be closed on Monday, June 19, 2023, in observance of Juneteenth.

**Parish Hall** is available to reserve dates for events. For more details call the parish office.

**Congratulations** to Director of Black Catholic Ministries, Dr. Ansel Augustine, on receiving an award for his book, [Leveling the Praying Field](#), from the Catholic Media Association. The afterward was written by the late Bishop Femand Cheri III, and can be found on Amazon.

### HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

*The righteous man walks in his integrity;  
His children are blessed after him.*

Proverbs 20:7

### SMA Pledge 2023



### PRAY FOR OUR ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY

Quentin Green      Kenneth Cuneo  
Edjunique Francois      Christina Valeary  
Tyler J. McCormick

#### St. Alphonsus Liguori's

#### Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are in the Blessed Sacrament.  
I love You above all things, and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though You have already come, I embrace You and unite myself entirely to You; never permit me to be separated from You.  
Amen.

## BIRTHDAYS

We wish to congratulate all of our brothers and sisters who are celebrating birthdays or an anniversary in **June**:

Audrey County, 8	Kay Vincent, 4	Janice Jackson, 28
Marlene Robinson, 21	Jacqueline Buggage, 27	Ann Cornin, 12
Parthenia Beck, 17	Tori Price, 6	Corey Johnson, 7
Gwendolyn Payne, 2	Donna Valeary, 17	Jabari Polete, 5
Ka'Cell El-Mansura, 18		

## PARISH CALENDAR

Religious Education Class, contact *Vanessa Matthews*

Choir Rehearsal, Tuesdays, 6:00 pm.

Senior Bingo/Luncheon, Thursday, **June 29**, 11:00 - 1:00 pm

Food for Seniors, **Tuesday**, July 25, 10:00 am until 12:00 noon

Emmaus Ministry, Wednesday, June 28, 10:00 am.

Rosary & Adoration, 2nd Friday of every month at 12:00 noon

The Sanctuary Lamp light will burn throughout the month of **June** for the souls of

*Jules Joseph Lewis* requested by wife *Jocanne Lewis*; and for *Calvin*

*Anthony Aguillard* requested by his wife *Geraldine Aguillard*.

## REFLECTIONS FOR NEXT WEEK'S READINGS - JUNE 25, 2023 - 12<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

### THE FIRST READING

**JERIMIAH 20:10-13**

*But the Lord is with me, like a mighty champion.*

Terror, all around, and rebuked  
on every side, spoken out loud!  
Jeremiah said to himself,  
"Praise the Lord.  
Sing!"

O God of all hope,  
when our lives come crashing  
down around us, when not  
one thing stays unhurt,  
let us hold on to  
just one hope:  
trust in your mercy.

### THE SECOND READING

**ROMANS 5:12-15**

*How much more did the grace of God and the gracious gift of the one man Jesus Christ overflow for many.*

The gracious gift of grace,  
the life of  
Jesus,  
overflows  
and roots out,  
slashes to nothing,  
sin.

Lord Jesus, let our vice receive  
your grace.

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### THE GOSPEL

**MATTHEW 10:26-33**

*Even all the hairs of your head are counted. So do not be afraid.*

God knows us better than we know ourselves.  
Loves every fiber and freckle of us. God counts  
us worthy to spread the Word.

But we can't breathe, Jesus.

We have no control of  
our climate, wars,  
violence and racism.

Jesus, "No fear," you tell us.

You be our nerve and our backbone.  
Help us stand straight and proclaim your Word  
in a loud voice to all the people,  
in all the places, times  
and events of our lives.

*My dear brothers and sisters in Christ:*

Today, we wish Happy Father's Day to all fathers, grandfathers, stepfathers, fathers-in-law, and god-fathers. We will honor and pray at Mass for God's blessing on all our fathers both living and deceased. What makes the Christian vocation of fatherhood is that "the love of parents is the means by which God our Heavenly Father show his own love" (Amoris Laetitia).

On Monday, our country will celebrate Emancipation Day or Juneteenth Federal Holiday. On June 19, 1865, Union troops arrived in Galveston, Texas to tell the state's enslaved people they were free. This came more than two months after the end of the Civil War, and years after President Abraham Lincoln issued the Emancipation Proclamation (which freed enslaved people on paper, but not right away in practice). The former slaves immediately began to celebrate with prayer, feasting, song and dance.

While designating Juneteenth as a holiday raises awareness of an important historical moment, Bernice King, CEO of The King Center, a social change nonprofit, and Martin Luther King Jr.'s daughter, said Congress needs to do more than take ceremonial action. She called on lawmakers to pass legislation to prevent police violence and voter suppression.

Yesterday, The Office of *Black Catholics* collaborated on a special Juneteenth Prayer Service at *Tuba Fats Square, St. Philip Street, New Orleans*,

Let us all celebrate Juneteenth Federal Holiday with prayer, feasting, song & dance and continue the pursuit of freedom and justice for all.

*St. Mary of the Angels and St. Francis of Assisi, pray for us,*

*Friar Joe Hund, ofm*